

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2007

The Hall County Board of Supervisors met October 16, 2007, by published call in the county board meeting room, 121 South Pine, Grand Island.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Scott Arnold.

INVOCATION - Invocation was given by Robert Rye.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

ROLL CALL - Present on roll call were, Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Robert Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster Robert Rye and Daniel Wagoner. Also present was a representative from the Grand Island Independent and Deputy County Attorney Michelle Oldham

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING LAW - Chairman Arnold read the notice of open meeting law.

9:05 a.m. Held a board of equalization meeting.

9:10 .am. Returned to regular session

CONSENT AGENDA – Lancaster made a motion and Jeffries seconded to approve the following by consent agenda:

1. Placed on file the minutes of the October 2 meeting
2. 2a Set the public hearing for the industrial development revenue bonds for Hornady Manufacturing Company Project for 9:00 a.m. Tuesday October 30, 2007
3. 5a Set the bid opening for Bridge Project C40(344) materials only for October 30, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. with bids due October 29, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.
4. 5b Placed on file the Public Works quarterly report
5. 6 Approved the Managers License for Susan McAfee for Pump & Pantry #1
6. 7 Authorized the chair to sign certification for Maximus for HHS direct and indirect costs
7. 8 Authorized the Chair to sign the utility easement for the Hall County Airport
8. 17 Authorized the Chair to sign the contract with O'Neill Transportation & Equipment for Demolition Project
9. Placed on file the office reports for the County Attorney, County Court, Juvenile Services, Register of Deeds and County Sheriff
10. Placed on file communications as received

Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster, Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

OFFICE REPORT
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF
AUGUST 2007

TOTAL FEES MILEAGE & MISC	\$21,734.26
HANDGUN APPLICATIONS	70.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	4,380.00
COPIES	37.00

OFFICE REPORT
COUNTY COURT
SEPTEMBER 2007

FINES (CO.)	\$ 49,787.23
OVERLOAD FINES	1,850.00
REIMBURSE SHERIFF FEES	2,001.56
WORK RELEASE FEES	1,016.00
REIMBURSE FAX COPIES	3.00
FINES (CITY)	8,546.92
REIMBURSE WITNESS FEES	603.69
BOND FORFEITURES	3,377.65
REIMBURSE CO. FEES	238.00
TOTAL	\$ 67,424.05

OFFICE REPORT
REGISTER OF DEEDS
SEPTEMBER 2007

DOCUMENTARY STAMP FEES	\$ 5,579.94
RECORDING FEES	14,370.00
PHOTO FEES	395.30

OFFICE REPORT
HALL COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES
SEPTEMBER 2007

JUVENILE REFERRALS	34 JUVENILES
JUVENILE OFFENDERS	1 JUVENILES
JUVENILE HOUSE ARREST	0 JUVENILES
TOTAL UNDER SUPERVISION	245 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED	\$ 1,280.00

OFFICE REPORT
HOWARD COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES
SEPTEMBER 2007

JUVENILE REFERRALS	1 JUVENILES
TOTAL JUVENILE ENROLLEES	11 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED FOR MONTH	\$ 200.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED FISCAL YEAR	\$ 550.00

9 9:15 a.m. SHARON HUEFTLE, UPDATE REGARDING SOUTH CENTRAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT – Ms. Hueftle was present to update the County Board on the activities of SCEDD. She thanked Bob Humiston for serving as vice chairman on the board. They received a short term planning grant to do a survey of the 12 county area to develop a scope of work to address the needs of the communities. The survey consisted of statements that participants were ask to rate the importance to the community's future and importance to increased tourism. She reviewed the information that was collected regarding community, business, agriculture and increasing tourism. She also reviewed the percentages of the responses compared to the county population. Southern Public Power District helped with collecting the survey information and compiling the information. This information will be used to develop a work plan and the final draft for this plan is due the end of the month. This information will also be included in the newsletter. She stated that the next board meeting will be held in Grand Island.

10 MIKE OLSON – UPDATE REGARDING CENTRAL NEBRASKA REGIONAL AIRPORT – Mike Olsen was present and thanked the board for the opportunity to talk to them. He stated that the boardings have increased to 1000 plus passengers and he feels that the marketing program is helping to increase the fees. They are in the middle of updating the master plan and are also addressing funding issues. There is some construction taking place on the National Guard facility. They have the ramps poured and will be starting on the structures and they are working on the infrastructure for the utilities, this will be a cost share project with the City of Grand Island. Two weeks ago he attended the FFA Annual convention and reported that Hall County received a "Safety Enhancement Award." He stated that the maintenance and operations department at the airport deserve the credit for this award. He stated that on the airport web site there is a travel search mechanism so a person can book a flight, secure car rentals and make motel reservations. Some of the information from this site will help them to gather important marketing information. He invited the County Board members to attend the Airport Authority board meetings. They are held on the second Wednesday of the month. He stated that he is excited about the web site and hopes that they will be able to offer incentives if the public uses this to book a flight.

11 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SALARY SURVEY – Information was included in the board member's packets regarding a salary survey for Hall County with Capital City Concepts. The fee would be \$12,000.00 plus some expenses. Eriksen stated that it is important to keep this information updated. The county has used Mr. Essman's services in the past.

Eriksen made a motion and Humiston seconded to enter into a contract with Capital City concepts regarding a salary survey. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancer and Rye all voted yes Wagoner voted no. Motion carried.

12 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COURTHOUSE SECURITY SYSTEM – Arnold stated that with the new District Judge and also the juvenile detention center there will be a need for additional security at the courthouse. This would include some camera equipment etc. There is a quote from Nebraska Telephone Systems of Nebraska that would cover some of the necessary equipment. Some of the equipment may not be needed until January of next year.

Eriksen made a motion and Jeffries seconded to refer this to the facilities committee for review and they will bring back a recommendation. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster, Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ALLOWING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO BE PAID FOR THEIR TIME WHEN CALLED AWAY FROM THEIR REGULAR WORK DAY FOR VOLUNTEER FIREMAN CALLS – The facilities committee has discussed this issue for some time. This is an employee that is a first responder and currently when he responds to a call he is not being paid unless he uses paid leave time. Howard Hasset, director of building and grounds stated that it is important to support our emergency services and would like to see the County support this. Discussion was held to make this a policy in the handbook to authorize pay for response leave but limit it to 10 hours a month. The department head would have to monitor the hours used.

Jeffries stated that he supports developing a policy; if people take the time to be trained they should not be penalized when they are called out. It is difficult to get people to participate as volunteers.

Lancaster suggested referring this to a committee and asked Deputy County Attorney Michelle Oldham to work with the committee to develop a policy. Discussion was held to set the number of hours per month to 10 hours but this would have to be monitored by the department head.

Wagoner questioned if this could also include a policy for the blood donations.

Eriksen questioned how they decided on 10 hours and Jeffries stated that this was the number of hour that he had used in the past. This may not be the right amount but it was a starting place. This still would have to be monitored by the department head. Discussion was held on who would monitor the hours. Board Assistant Stacy Ruzicka suggested that a universal police should be established to set the standards

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to refer this to the personal committee and Deputy County Attorney Michelle Oldham to develop a policy and come back to the board. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster, Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

14 DISCUSS AND APPROVE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A PETTY CASH FUND FOR COUNTY CLERK – County Clerk Marla Conley requested to establish a petty cash fund in the amount of \$300.00 to be used to make change for the motor vehicle department. There are four cash drawers in the department and it is necessary to have change for the customers.

Jeffries made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve Resolution #07-077 establishing a petty cash fund for the Hall County Clerk. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster, Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

16 AUDIT OF BI WEEKLY PAY CLAIMS AND REGULAR CLAIMS AND ACTION ON CLAIM AUDIT – The Board members reviewed the claims.

Lancaster made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the bi weekly pay claims and regular claims and authorized the clerk to pay. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster, Rye and Wagoner all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEMBER REPORTS – Lancaster – she attended the legislative meeting that was put on by NACO and reported that it was a good meeting and if the county were going to consider possible legislation it would need to be developed during the summer. She reported that there was also discussion on indigent defense.

Jeffries – he stated that there is a progress report on the corrections department construction every two weeks. There is still a lot of work to be done and the past concerns on the roof and the supply of block have been taken care of. There still is not permanent power inside of the building and that will be supplied once the entire building is enclosed. There was discussion who is authorized to have the keys to the building, discussion was held and it was agreed that the project manager will be the only one to have a key. Lancaster stated that she has been working with Holly on the selection of the colors for the different projects and stated that it is going to be an attractive building.

Wagoner questioned who has the authority to pick up the key and suggested that the correction staff should have the names of the people that are authorized to do so.

Arnold reported that he met with Victor Aufdemberge and a couple of engineers and toured the court house building. There is a preliminary drawing of the floor plan and this will be a good starting point. They need to go over this with the Judges and the Clerk of the District Court and go forward with the plans.

He also reported that on Thursday they met with the Hall County Housing Authority and toured the children's village building. The County has received an appraisal on the building; county real estate has to be sold at fair market value. It needs to be determined if this location will work for a county purpose.

NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Chairman Arnold called for new or unfinished business and no one responded.

11:05 meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be November 13, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk